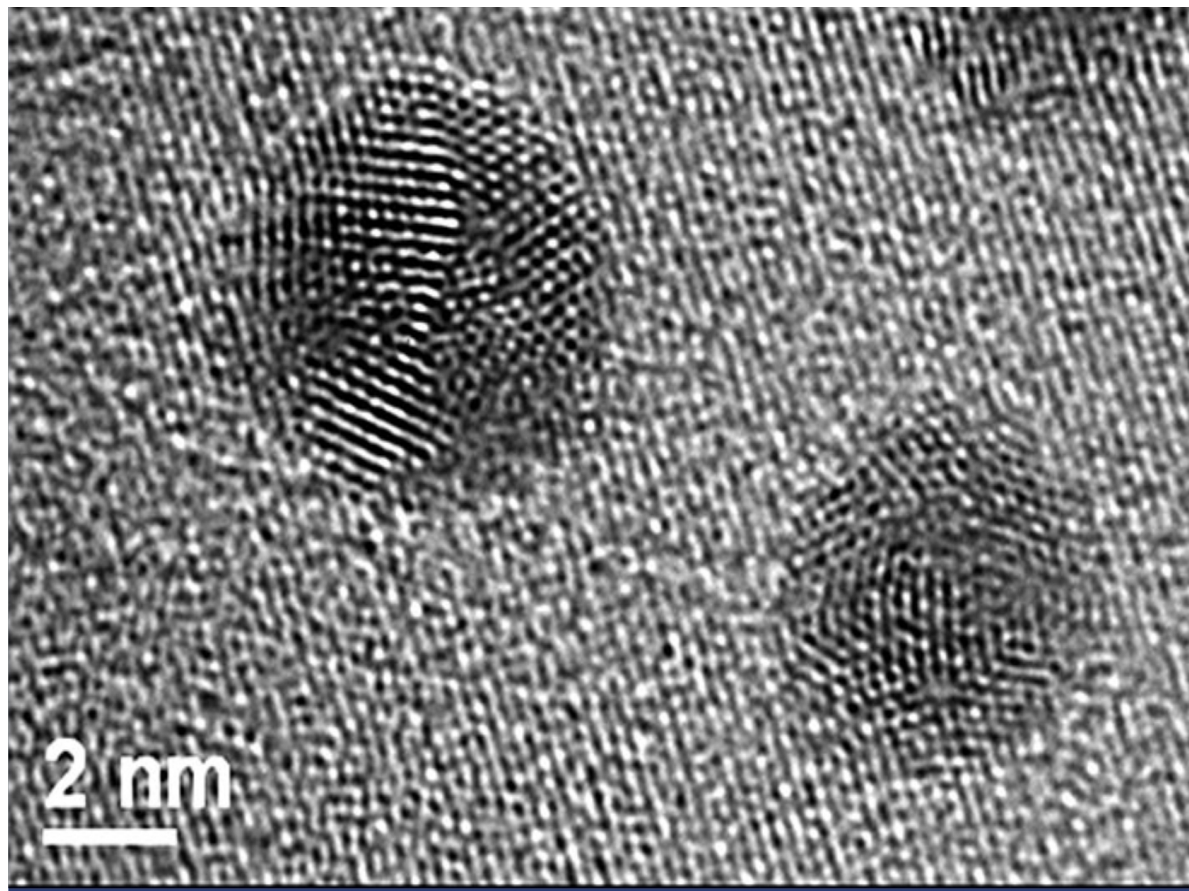




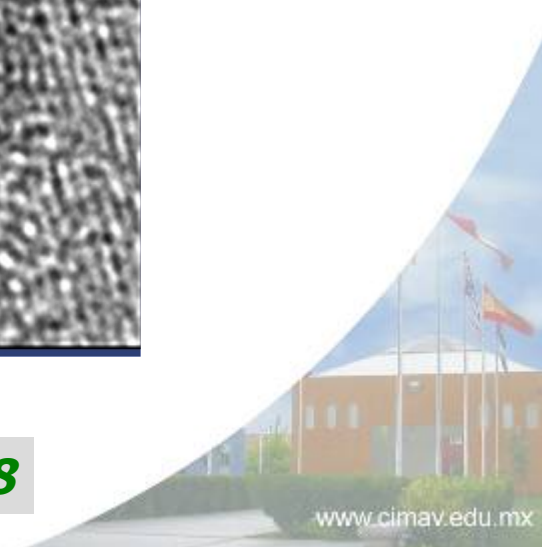
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## *National Nanotechnology Initiative*



***Washington, D.C. February 2008***

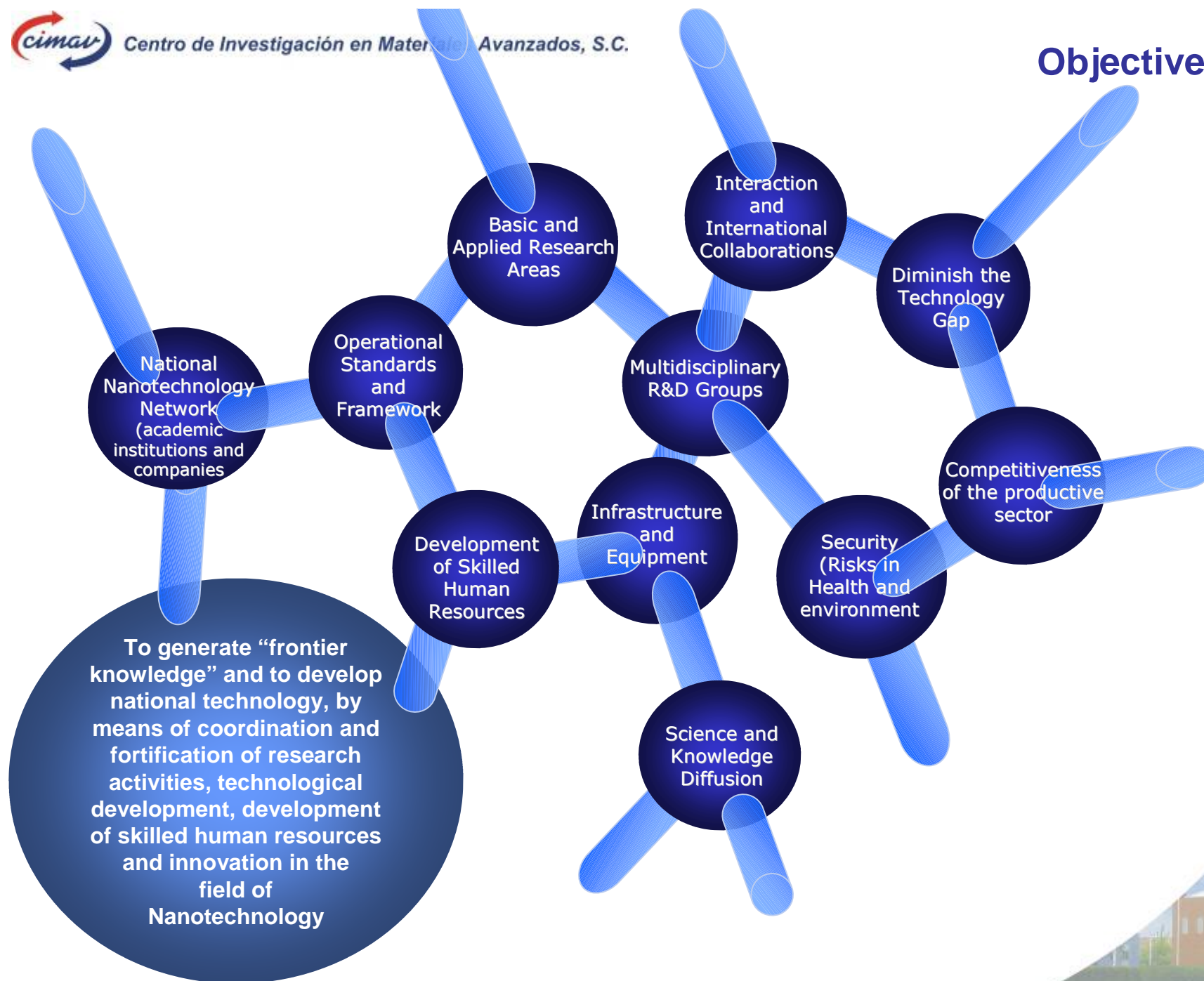


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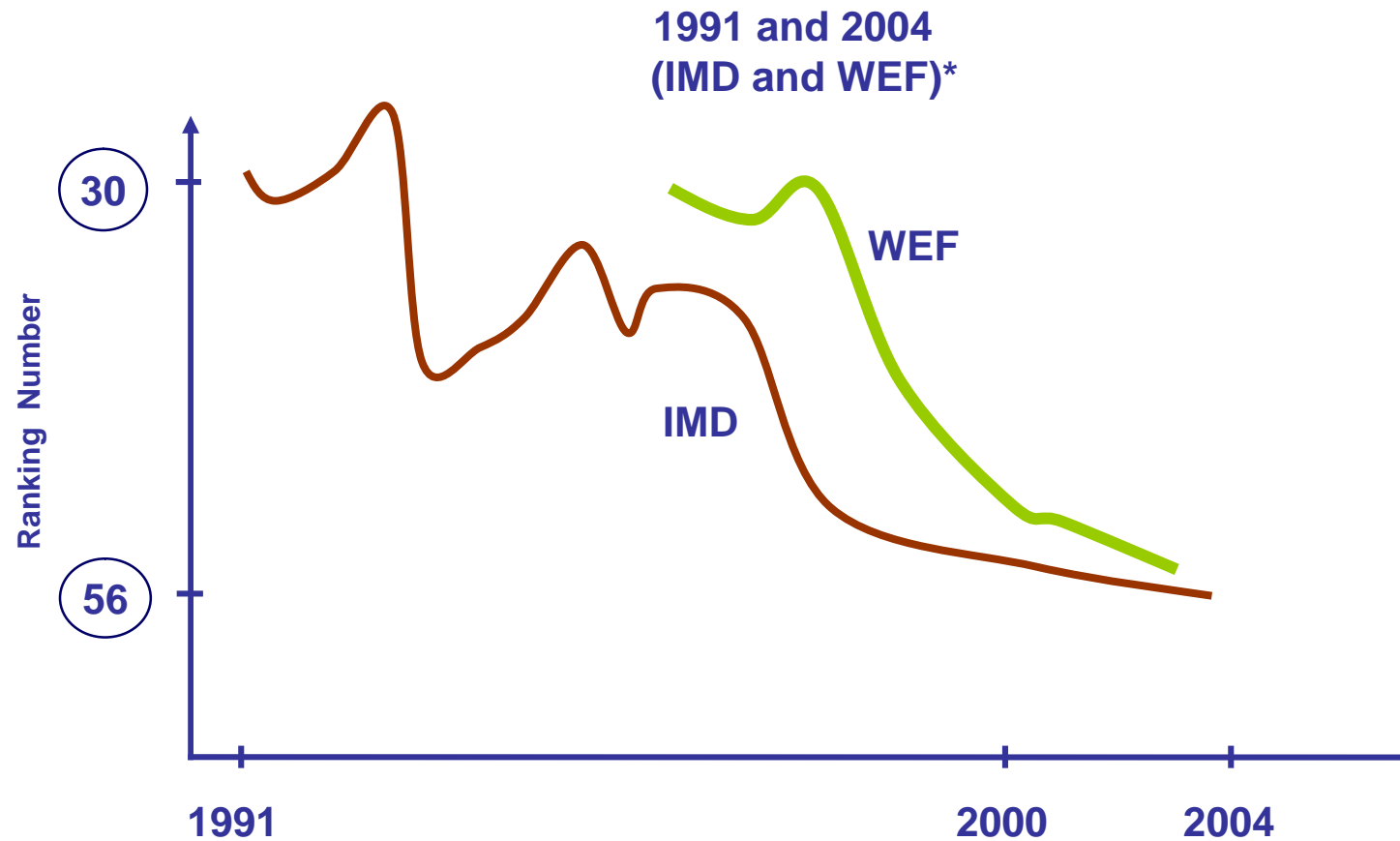


## Objective





## Mexico's Competitive Ranking



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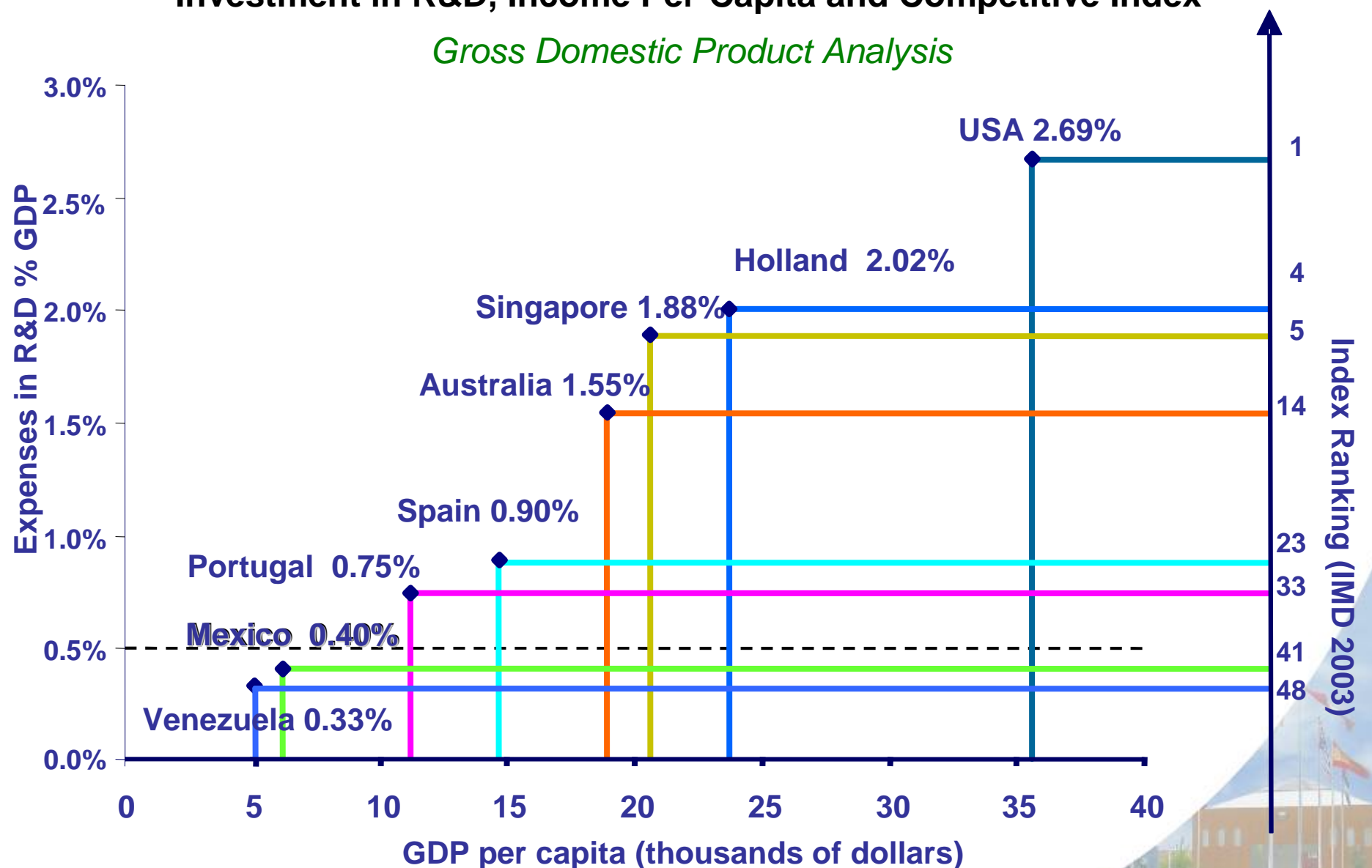
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WEF : World Economic Forum

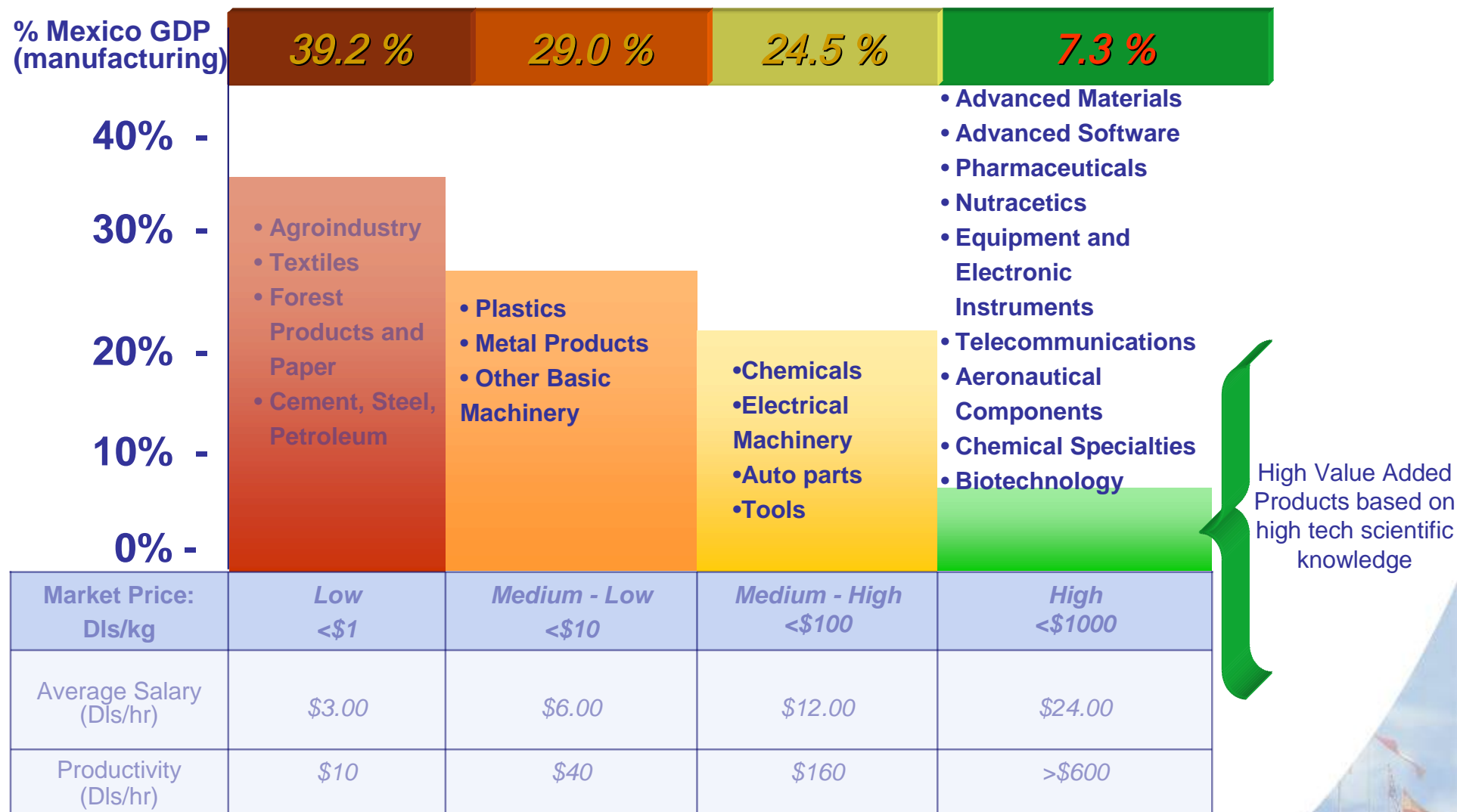


## Investment in R&D, Income Per-Capita and Competitive Index

### *Gross Domestic Product Analysis*











### Nanotechnology R&D in Mexico

- High level R&D groups with international recognition
- Isolated and dispersed efforts and resources
- Marginal results with practically null results
- Rising costs associated with R&D activities

**Loss of  
Opportunities  
and Resources**





## Focus and Model





## Results

- Knowledge
- Specialized Human Resources
- Patents
- Industrial Competitiveness
- Innovation of products and processes
- High Paying Wages, etc.

## Orientation

- Innovation
- Regional Development

## Baseline

- Research and Development Technological Network
- Development of Skilled Human Resources





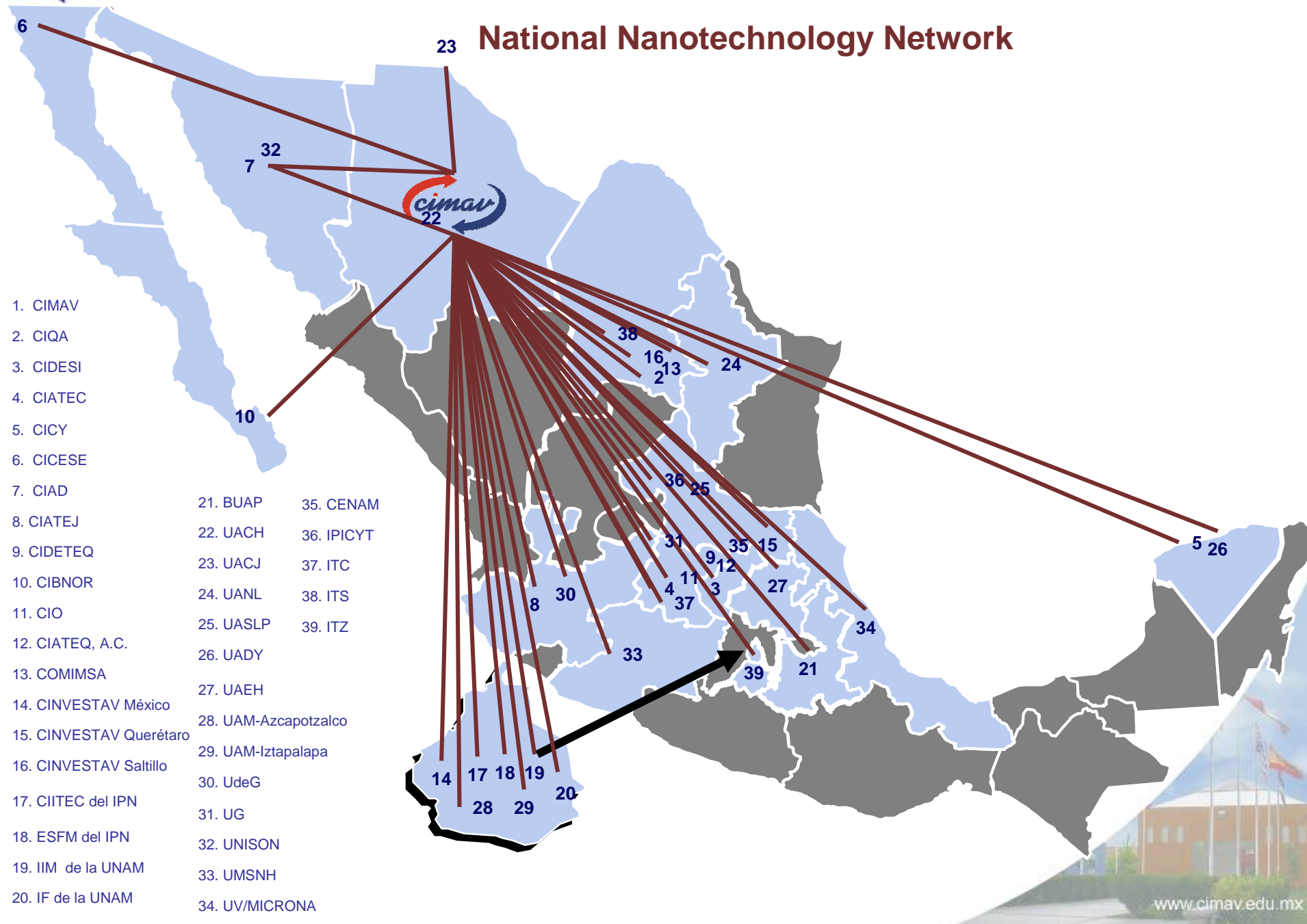
### Values and Principles

1. Outstanding Research
2. Postgraduate and Development of Skilled Human Resources with International Quality
3. Multidisciplinary Team Focused Toward Results
- 4. Focused Research Programs with the Possibility of Generating Deliverables within 5 Years**
5. Sharing of Research Infrastructure and Resources Among Nanotechnology Network
6. Evaluation of Proposals and Initiatives or New Infrastructure by Ad-Hoc Committees Integrated by Distinguished Members of the Academic / Research Sectors
- 7. Allocation of Resources by Pre-Competitive Processes with Quality and Feasibility Criteria**
- 8. Periodical Evaluations to Measure Advances and Accomplishments by Independent Evaluators**
9. Collaborative Team Based Approach of Research Activities with the Industrial Sector Network, for the Identification of Market Requirements and Opportunities
10. Metric Based Indicators that will Help Evaluate Programs and Measure the Benefits and Results Obtained



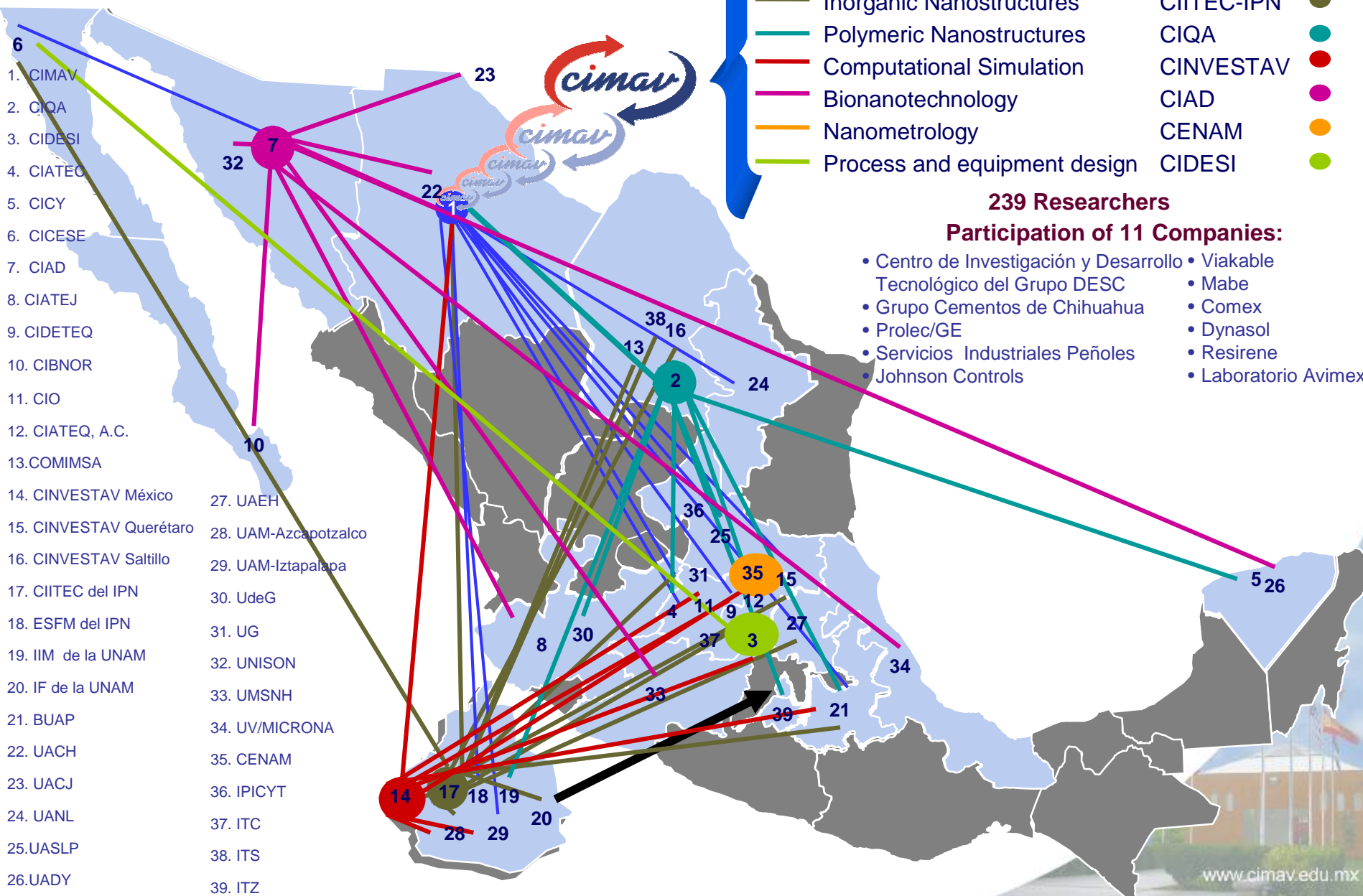


## National Nanotechnology Network





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## International Collaborations



### International Institutions

1. Arizona State University (ASU), Tempe, Arizona, USA (**Nanotechnology Cluster with an 8 million dollar investment**)
2. Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (CINT), Albuquerque, and Los Alamos, New Mexico, USA jointly operated by Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico, USA; Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, New Mexico USA
3. University of Texas at Austin; Austin, Texas, USA
4. State University of New York at Albany; Albany, New York, USA
5. National Center for Learning and Teaching in Nanoscale Science and Engineering; Chicago, Illinois, USA
6. Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley; University of California, Berkeley, California, USA
7. Mexico – USA, Bi-National Sustainability Laboratory (BNSL), Santa Teresa, New Mexico, USA
8. Chalmers University of Technology, Sweden
9. University of California, Santa Barbara, USA
10. University of Sheffield, United Kingdom
11. University of Limoges. France



## Key - Technology Competencies

Key Technology Competences	Institution
Nanoparticles synthesis	CIMAV, CIDETEQ, UANL, UASPL
Nanostructures self assembly	CIMAV, IPN, UAG, UASPL, CIDETEQ
Functional nanomaterials and its applications	CIMAV, CIQA, CIAD, CINVESTAV Saltillo, CIDETEQ,
Mechanical / chemical synthesis methods	UASPL, CIMAV, CINVESTAV Querétaro, COMIMSA, CIDESI
Polymeric structures	CIQA, CIATEC, CICY, ITZ, UDG, IIM UNAM
Synthesis of ceramic structures	CIITEC-IPN, CINVESTAV Saltillo, UAM Azcapotzalco, IF UNAM
Carbon nanotubes and its applications	CIMAV, CIQA, CIAD
Advanced materials for glass and cement	CIITEC-IPN, UACH, CIMAV, CIDESI
Advanced materials for packaging	CIQA, CICY, UDG
Electrical and mechanical properties of nanostructures and nanocomposites	CINVESTAV Querétaro, CIITEC-IPN, CIMAV, CIATEC
Physicochemical characterization of nanoparticles and nanostructures	CIITEC-IPN, CIQA, CIMAV, CIATEJ, CIDESI, IIM UNAM, CINVESTAV Saltillo, CINVESTAV Querétaro
Biocompatible nanostructures	CIBNOR, CIAD
Nanobiotechnology	CIAD, UACH, UNISON, UACJ
Nano / macro interfaces and metallic surfaces	CIATEQ, UAM, CIITEC-IPN
Chemical reactivity	CIMAV, CIATEQ
Computational simulation and modeling	CINVESTAV México, CINVESTAV Querétaro, BUAP, CIMAV, UAM Azcapotzalco, UAM Iztapalapa, UG
Nanometrology	CENAM



## *Opportunity areas identified and analyzed to start the initiative*

### **Nanoparticles**

Scientific – Technical Platform: **Sol- Gel**

Scientific –Tecnological Platform: **Physical Method (Milling)**

Scientific –Tecnological Platform: **High Temperature (Vapor Condensation)**

### **Bionanotechnology**

Scientific – Technical Platform: **Microemulsion/Sol Gel**

Scientific – Technical Platform: **Vapor Condensation**

### **Inorganic Nanostructures**

Scientific – Technical Platform: **Wet Route/Sol Gel**

Scientific – Technical Platform: **Physical Methods/SPS**

### **Polymeric Nanostructures**

Scientific – Technical Platform: **Composites**

Scientific – Technical Platform: **Synthesis**

### **Computational Simulation**

Scientific – Technical Platform: **Multiscale Systems for the Design and Simulation of Systems that are Related to Nanotechnology**

### **Nanometrology**

Scientific – Technical Platform: **Development of National Standards and Measurement Systems for the Assurance of Metrological Measurements**

### **Processes and Equipment**

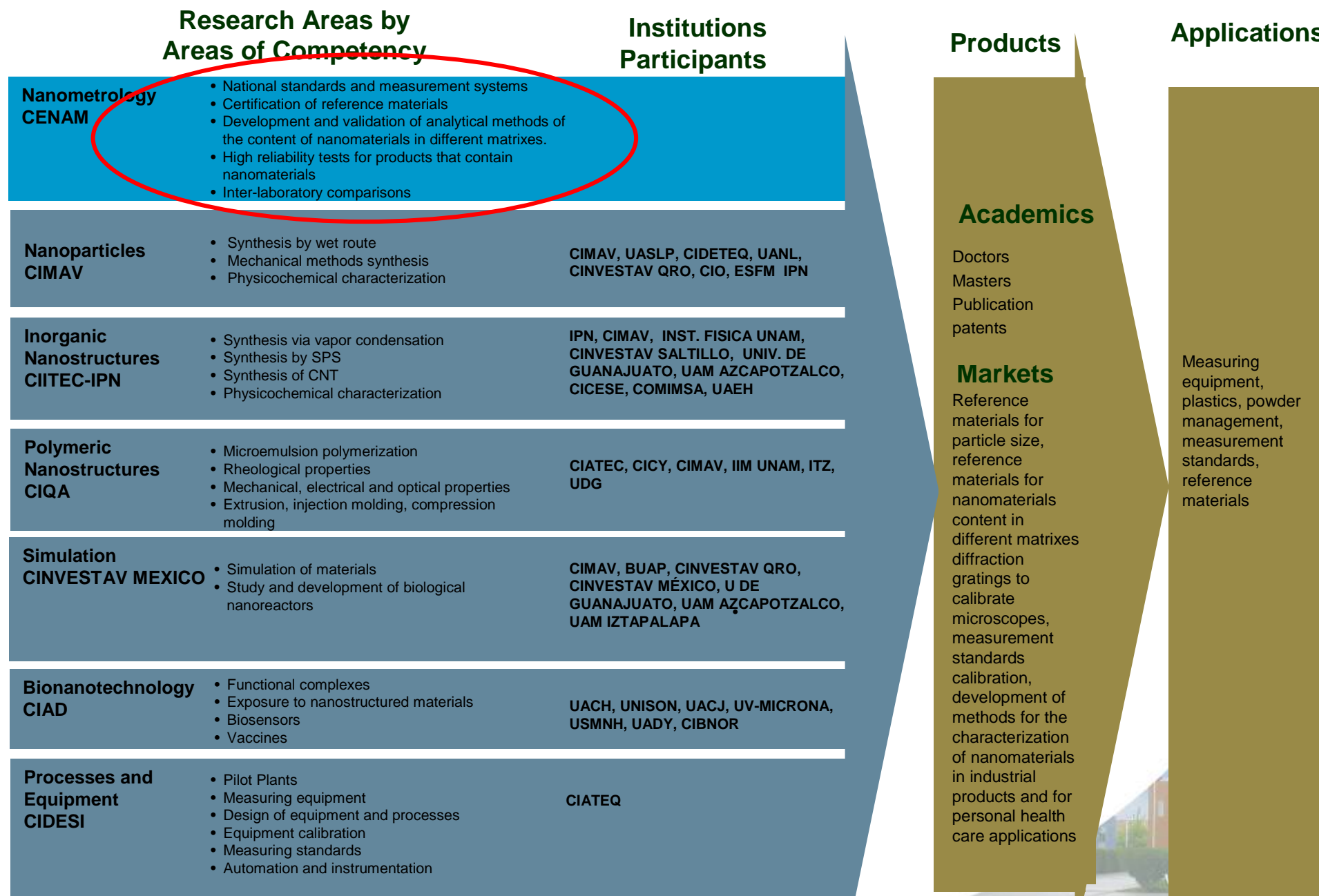
Scientific – Technical Platform: **Design of Processes and Equipment for Synthesis**



Research Areas by Areas of Competency		Institutions Participants	Products	Applications
<b>Nanoparticles CIMAV</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nanoparticles in industrial catalysis</li> <li>Synthesis by wet routes</li> <li>Chemical reactivity</li> <li>Mechanical synthesis methods</li> <li>Physicochemical characterization</li> <li>Environmental applications</li> </ul>	UASLP, CIDETEQ, UANL, CINVESTAV QRO, CIO, ESFM IPN, CIATEC	<b>Academics</b>  Doctors Masters Publications Patents  <b>Markets</b>  Metales Oxides Hydroxides  Cu, Ag, Pt, Mg, ZnO, FeO, Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> , SiO <sub>2</sub> , Mg(OH) <sub>2</sub> , Fe(OH) <sub>2</sub> , Sn(OH) <sub>4</sub> .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Metallic Particles (steel, aluminum, textile fibers, electrical materials, catalysis, sensors)</li> <li>Metallic Oxides (Paints, coatings, cement, ceramics, catalysis, electrical materials, glass, personal care, plastics, polymers, catalysis)</li> <li>Hydroxides (Personal care, plastics, food products, packaging)</li> </ul>
<b>Inorganic Nanostructures CIITEC-IPN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ceramic structures</li> <li>Physicochemical characterization</li> <li>Structural biocompatibility</li> <li>Nano-micro interfaces</li> <li>Metallic surfaces</li> <li>Catalysis</li> </ul>	UAM, CINVESTAV QRO, CIMAV		
<b>Polymeric Nanostructures CIQA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Electrical and mechanical properties</li> <li>Functionalization and application</li> <li>Structure auto assembly</li> </ul>	CICY		
<b>Simulation CINVESTAV MEXICO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Materiales simulation</li> <li>Functional molecular nanomaterials</li> <li>Conceptual and theoretical using DFT</li> <li>Nanomolecular catalysis</li> <li>Nanoaggregates</li> <li>Metallic and molecular</li> </ul>	CIMAV, BUAP, CINVESTAV QRO, CINVESTAV MÉXICO, U DE GUANAJUATO, UAM AZCAPOTZALCO, UAM IZTAPALAPA		
<b>Bionanotechnology CIAD</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Biosecurity</li> <li>Antiviral</li> <li>Antibacterial</li> </ul>	UACH, UNISON		
<b>Nanometrology CENAM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National standards and measuring systems</li> <li>Certification of reference materials</li> <li>Development and validation of analytical methods to determine the content of nanomaterials in different matrixes</li> <li>High reliability tests for products that contain nanomaterials</li> </ul>			
<b>Processes and Equipment CIDESI</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Process Modeling</li> <li>Pilot plants</li> <li>Measuring equipment</li> <li>Design of equipment and processes</li> </ul>	CIATEQ		

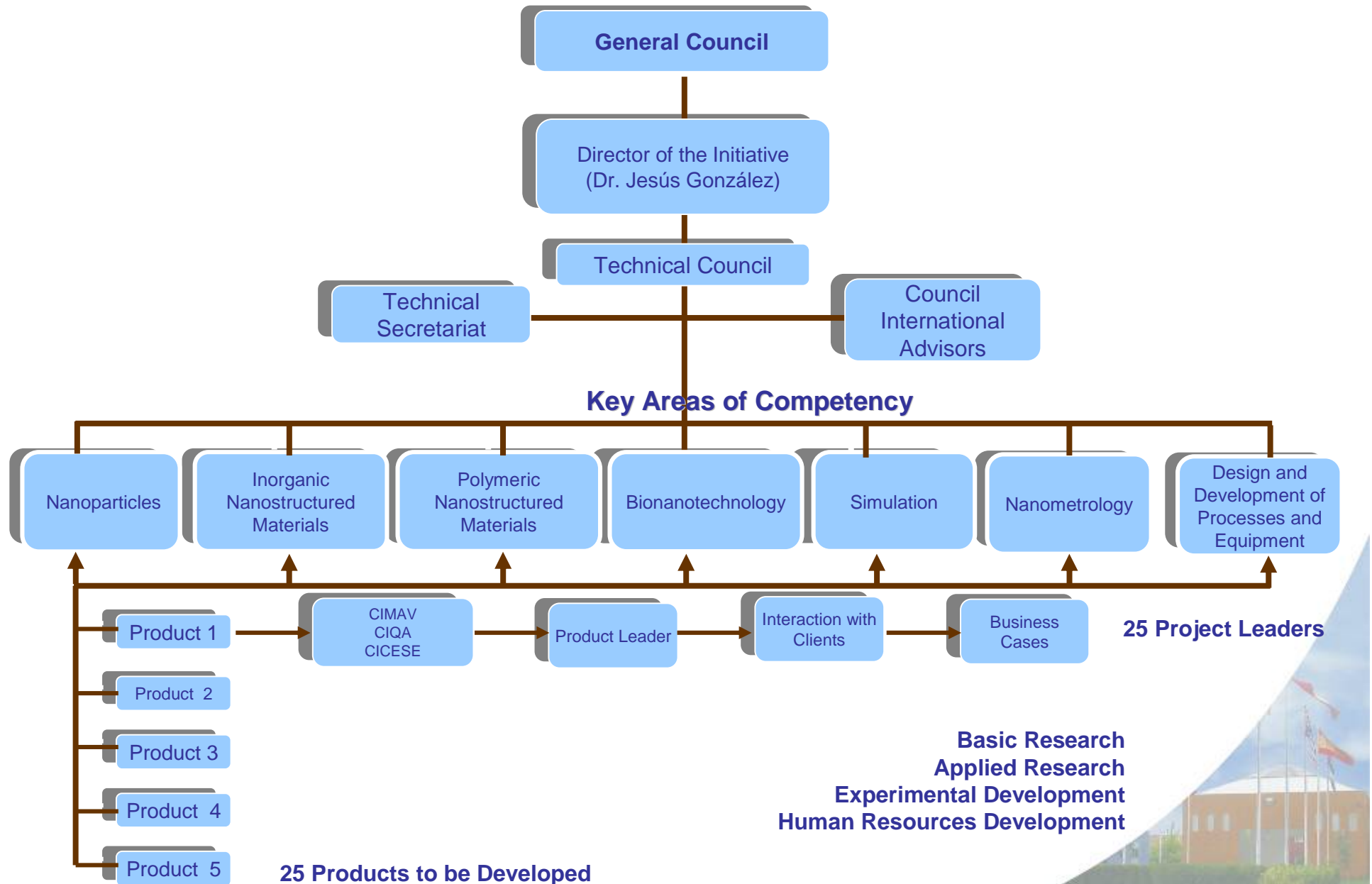


**Scientific – Technical Platform:** *Development of National Standards and Measurement Systems for the Assurance of Metrological Measurements*





## National Nanotechnology Network





- Around **150 Ph D's and 450 masters** graduates in sciences, with an **enrollment** estimated at **550 PhD doctorate students and 1,700 masters**
- More than **1,000 articles in international indexed journals** in 5 years (an average of 200 articles per year)
- Around **200 patent titles or registrations** in 5 years, **7 process and equipment designs** associated to the technology platforms detected in this project, **3 computational programs** for the **simulation** of nanoparticles and nanostructures and **a company** to offer **hardware and software solutions in the design of materials and molecules.**
- Obtain **specific guidelines for intellectual protection** for the commercialization of projects derived from this initiative
- To sign at least **15 agreement with institutions** with recognized **international** prestige, oriented towards the development of joint projects and international cooperation related to the topics.
- To move beyond the 239 actual **researchers** from the **participating** institutions in the network to **more than 400**
- At least **25 products** grouped in 5 families (liquid phase technology, milling technology, high temperature technology, nanostructured materials and technology from nanocomposites) oriented toward necessities and exportation of Mexico's industrial market **with potential sales** starting on the sixth year in the order **of 100 to 150 millions de dollars annually.**
- Create new **state of the art infrastructure** in the different institutions that participate in the network (laboratories, buildings, workshops, etc.).
- At least 5 cases of new business generated from the products developed by the institutions participating in the network.
- Generate at least **500 scientific and technological products** to diffuse the social and economical impact of nanotechnology of nanotechnology (reports, books, press releases, radio programs, and television, etc.).



Phase	Activity	Period
1st phase	Conceptualization and design	2007
2nd phase	Implementation, operations expansion and technology transfer of the first projects	2008 – 2010
3rd phase	Fortification and consolidation of the network. Commercialization of the first products.	2011





## *Some results on nanotechnology*



*Based on work  
made at CIMAV*

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## Synthesis and Characterization of Magnetic Materials

Synthesis and magneto-structural study of  $\text{Co}_x\text{Fe}_{3-x}\text{O}_4$  nanoparticles

Journal of Magnetism and Magnetic Materials 294 (2005) e33–e36

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Magnetite-cobalt ferrite nanoparticles for kerosene-based magnetic fluids

Journal of Magnetism and Magnetic Materials 294 (2005) e37–e41

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Magnetic nanocomposites: preparation and characterization of Co-ferrite nanoparticles in a silica matrix

Journal of Alloys and Compounds 369 (2004) 148–151

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Magnetic and structural study of melt-spun  $\text{YCo}_5$  ribbons

Journal of Magnetism and Magnetic Materials 294 (2005) e137–e140

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- *Mossbauer spectroscopy*
- *Magnetization hysteresis loop*
- *Saturation Magnetization*
- *Remanent magnetization*



# Magnetic Fluids made by Nanoparticle Suspension

*Without magnetic field*



*Under magnetic field*

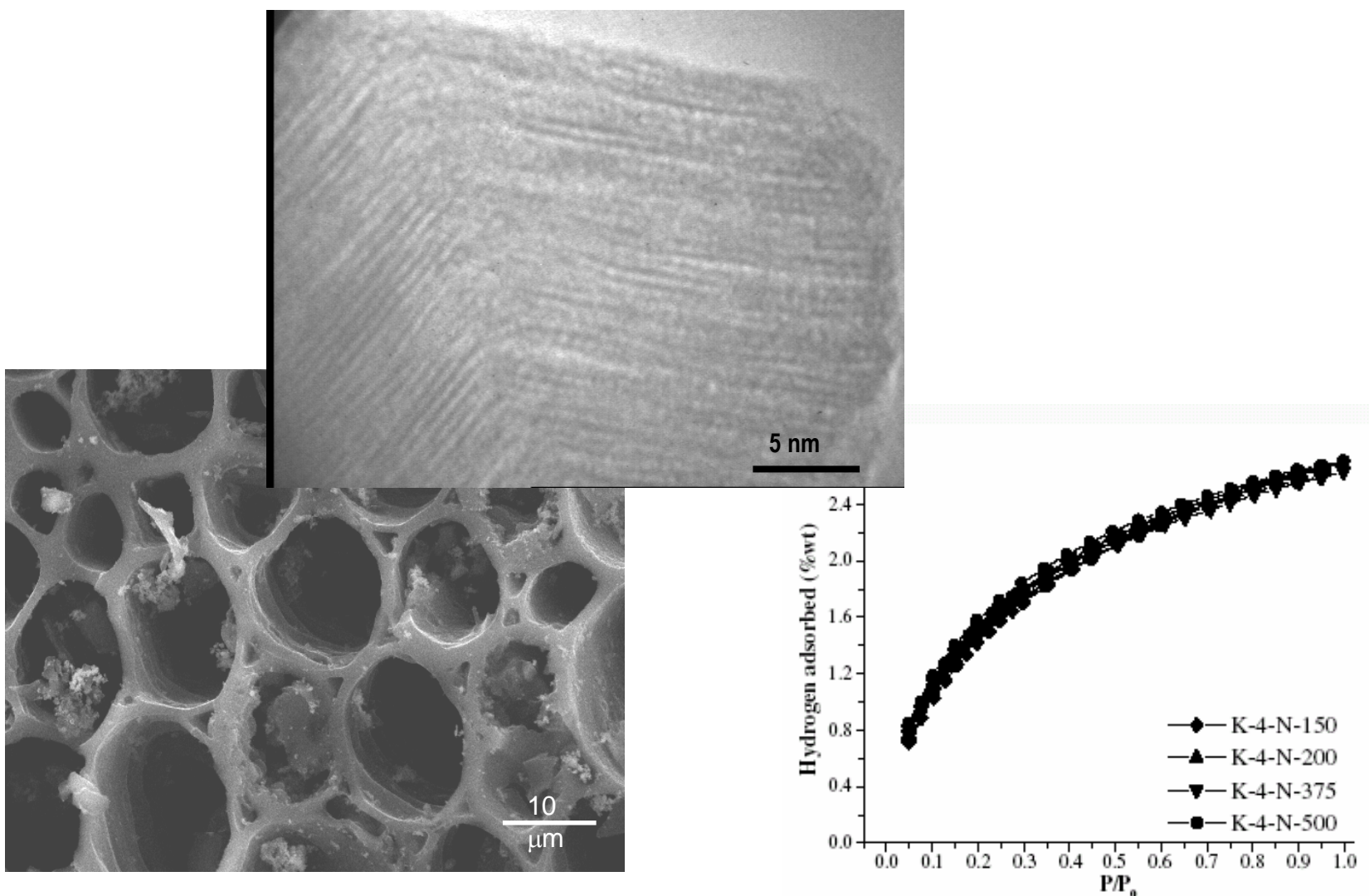


Stability of magnetic fluid is higher than two years



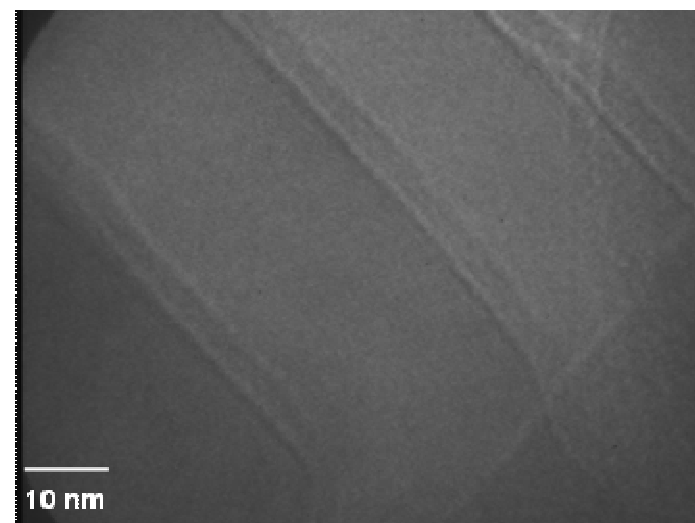
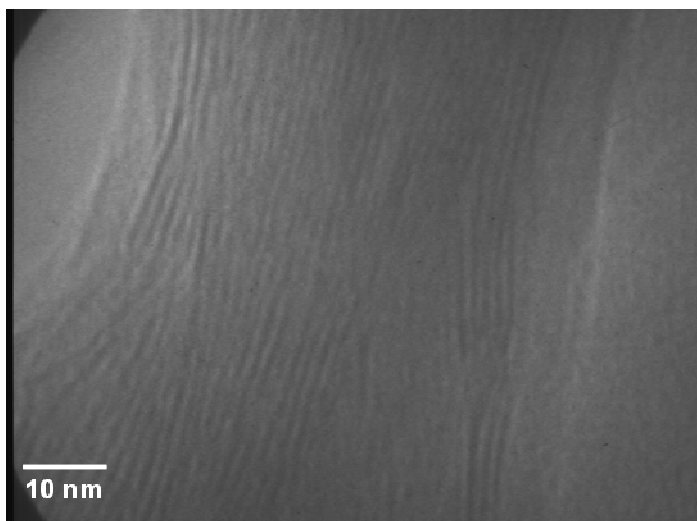


## Development of Hydrogen storage materials based on Carbon Molecular Sieves

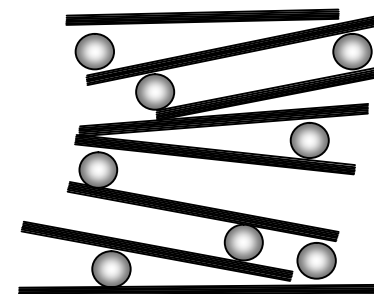




## Nano-assembled Clays for Catalysis or Gas Storage



+ Silica Nanoparticles

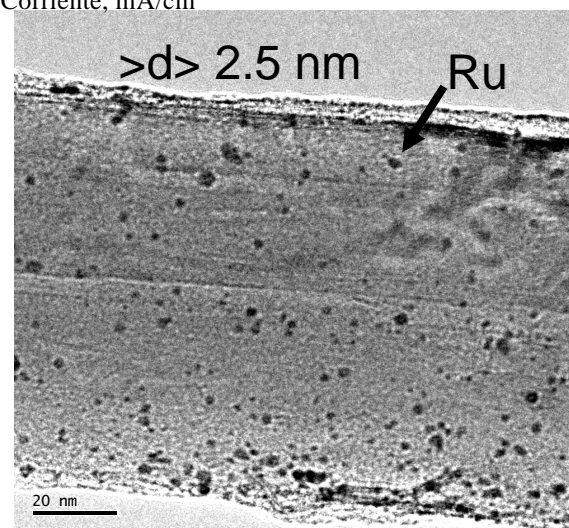
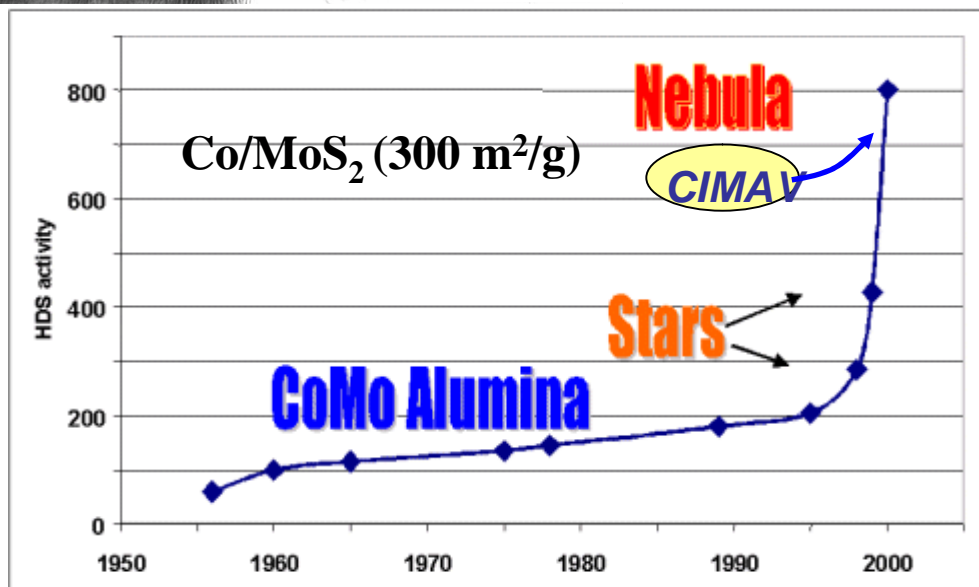
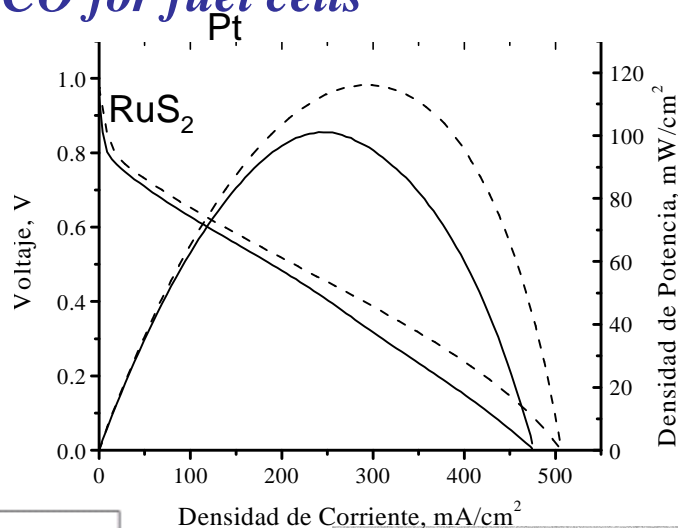
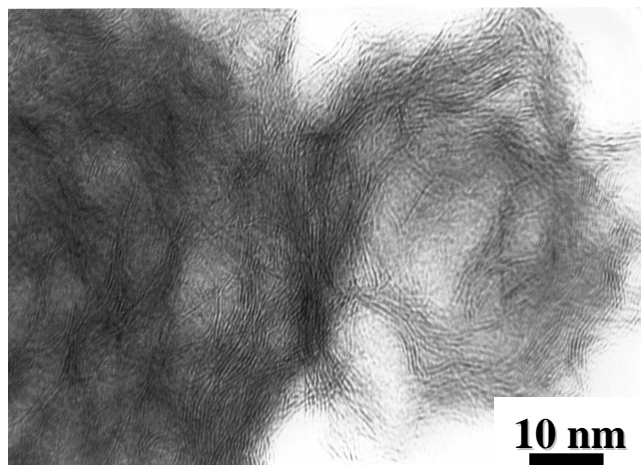


*Intercalated clay (montmorillonite) with interlayer separation around 12 nm  
Surface area around 550 to 610 m<sup>2</sup>/g*



## Catalytic Nanostructures for:

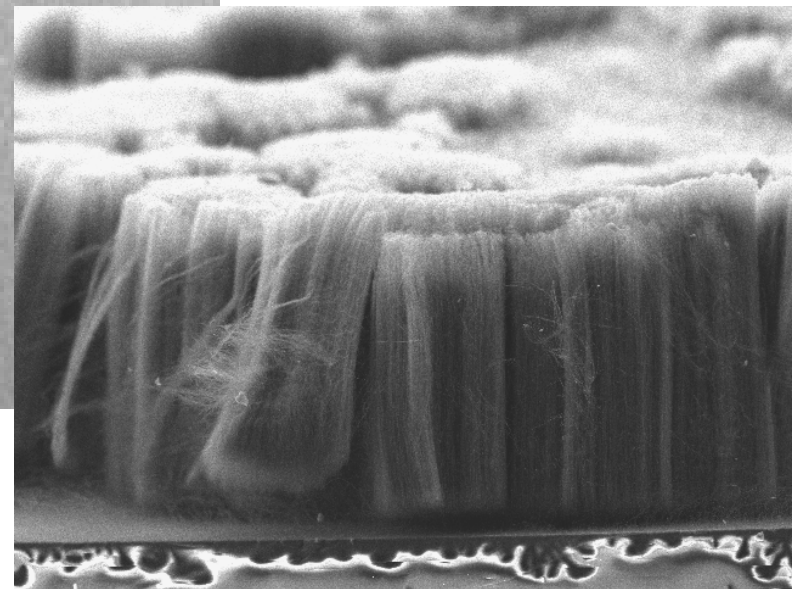
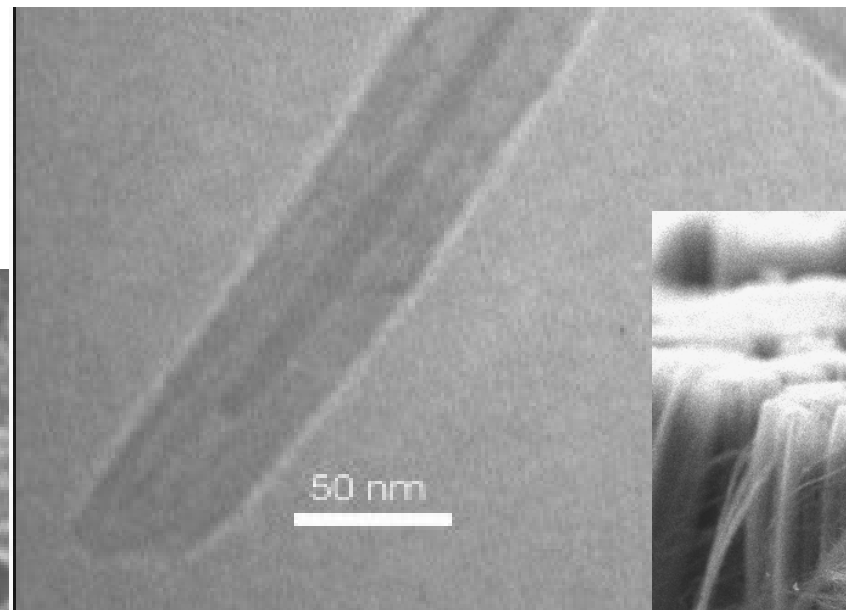
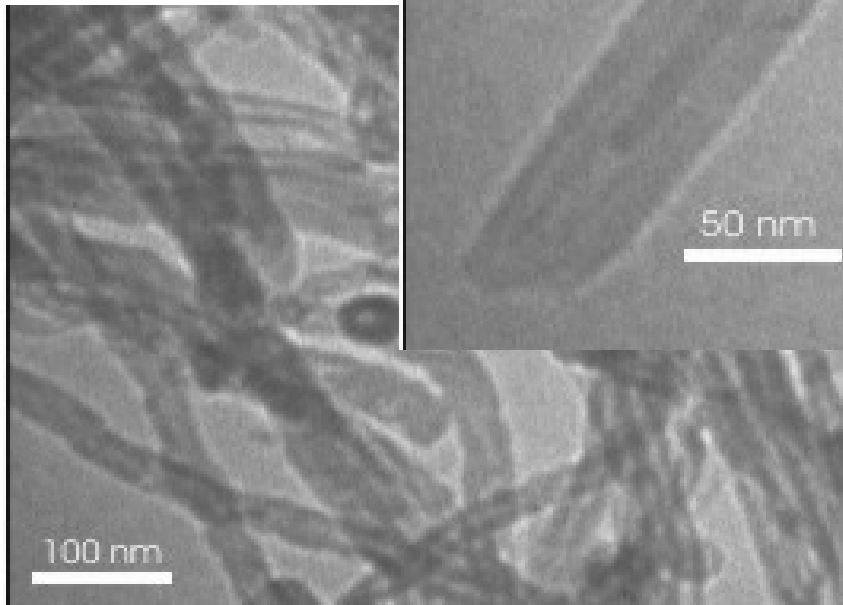
- Sulfur removal from petroleum
- Electro-catalysts tolerant to S and CO for fuel cells





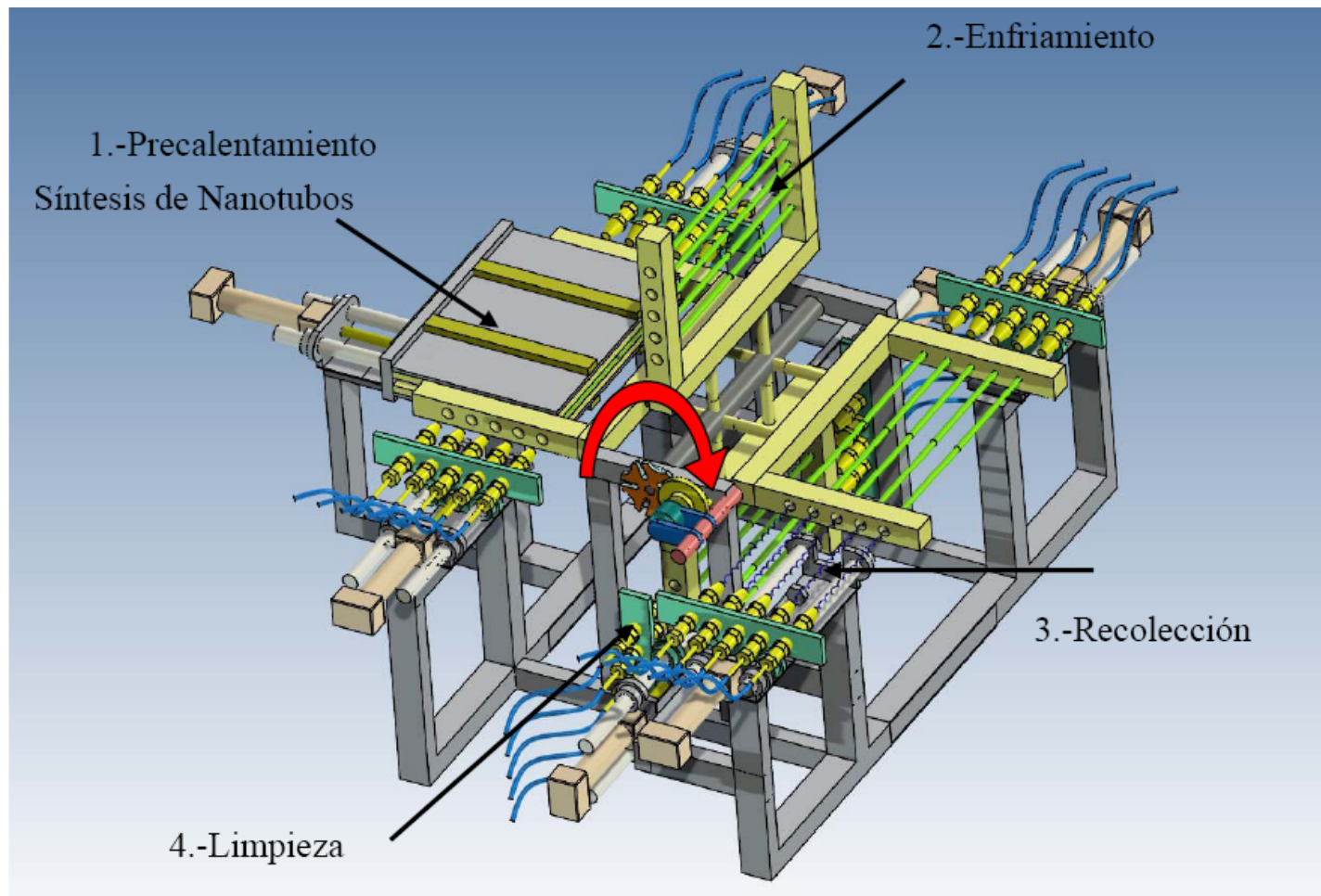
## Synthesis of Multiwalled Carbon Nanotubes

*Research in the scaling of laboratory process*  
*Growth Mechanism of MWCNT by Spray Pyrolysis*  
*Development of Applications*



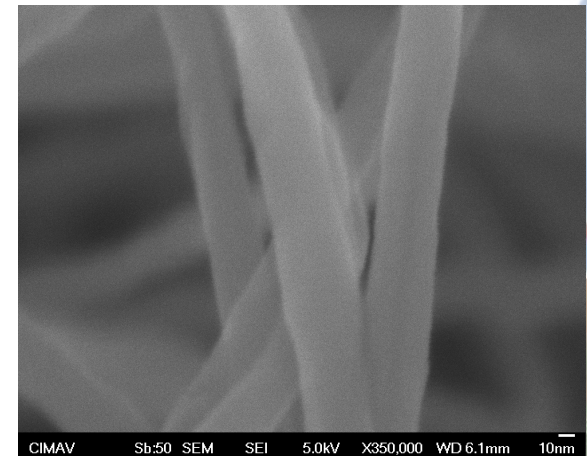
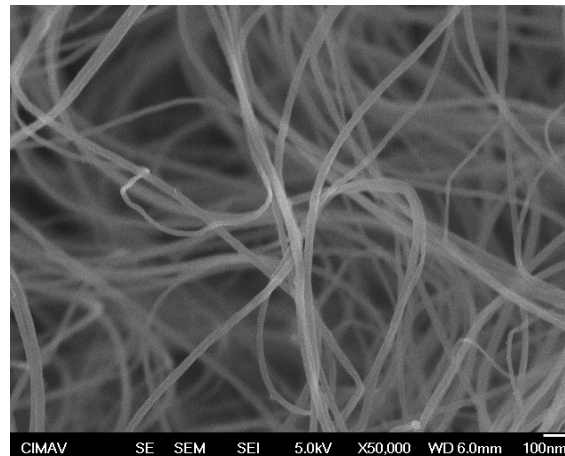
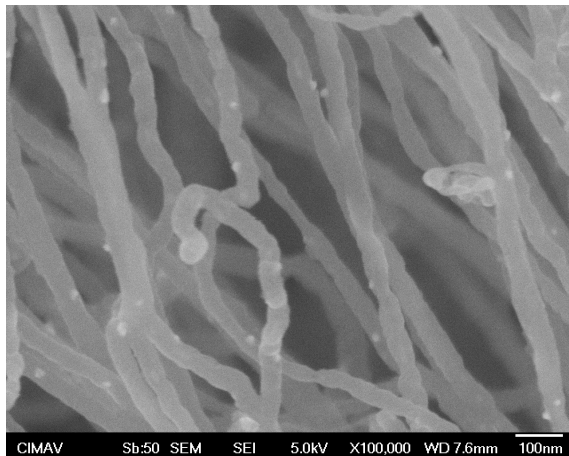
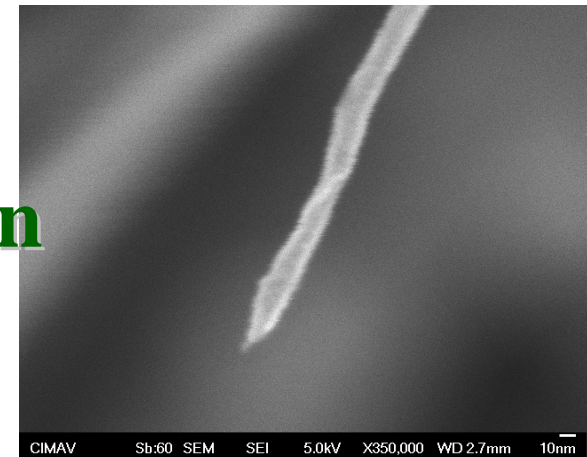
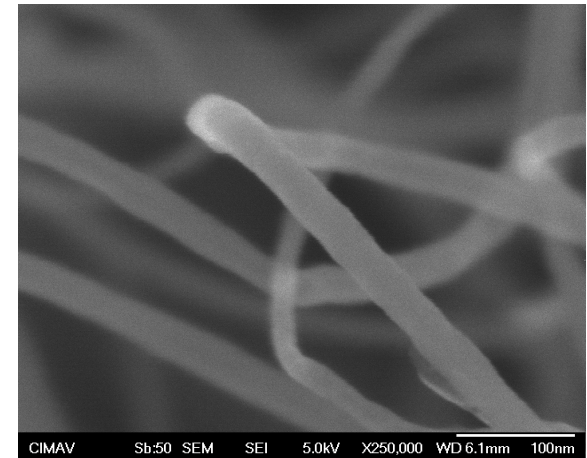
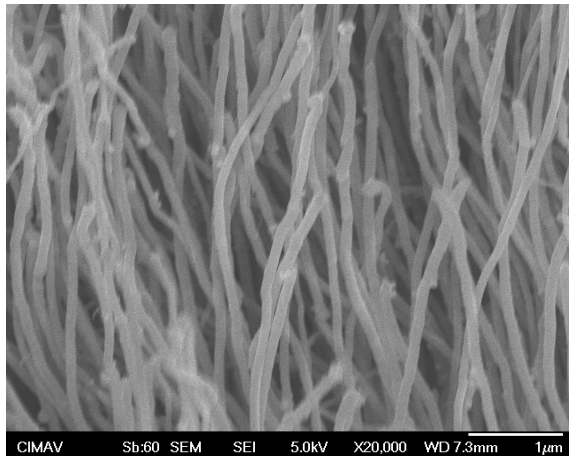


# 1<sup>st</sup> prototype under construction



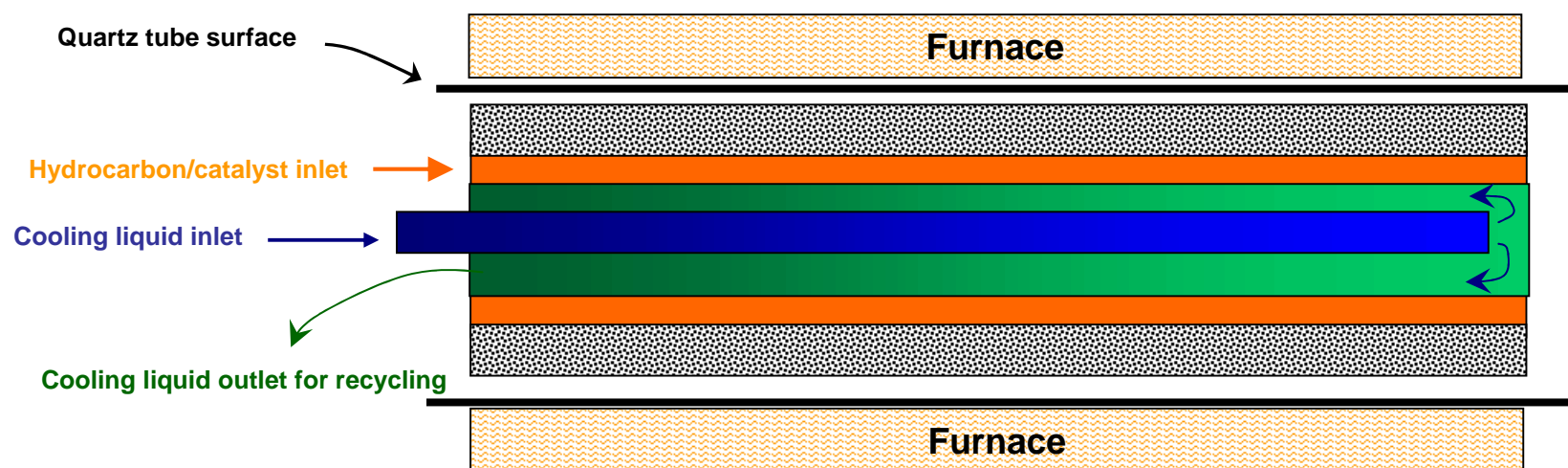


# Study of variables in order to take full command of production

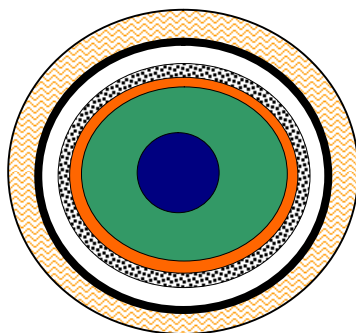




## Design of new system to deliver hydrocarbon/catalyst to reactor



Side View



Transversal cut view





## Mechanical Alloying Laboratory

TEM characterization of Al–C–Cu–Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> composites  
produced by mechanical milling

*Journal of Alloys and Compounds xxx (2006) xxx–xxx*

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Aluminum–graphite composite produced by  
mechanical milling and hot extrusion

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Mechanical and microstructural characterization of aluminum  
reinforced with carbon-coated silver nanoparticles

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Electrochemical performance of hydrogen evolution reaction of  
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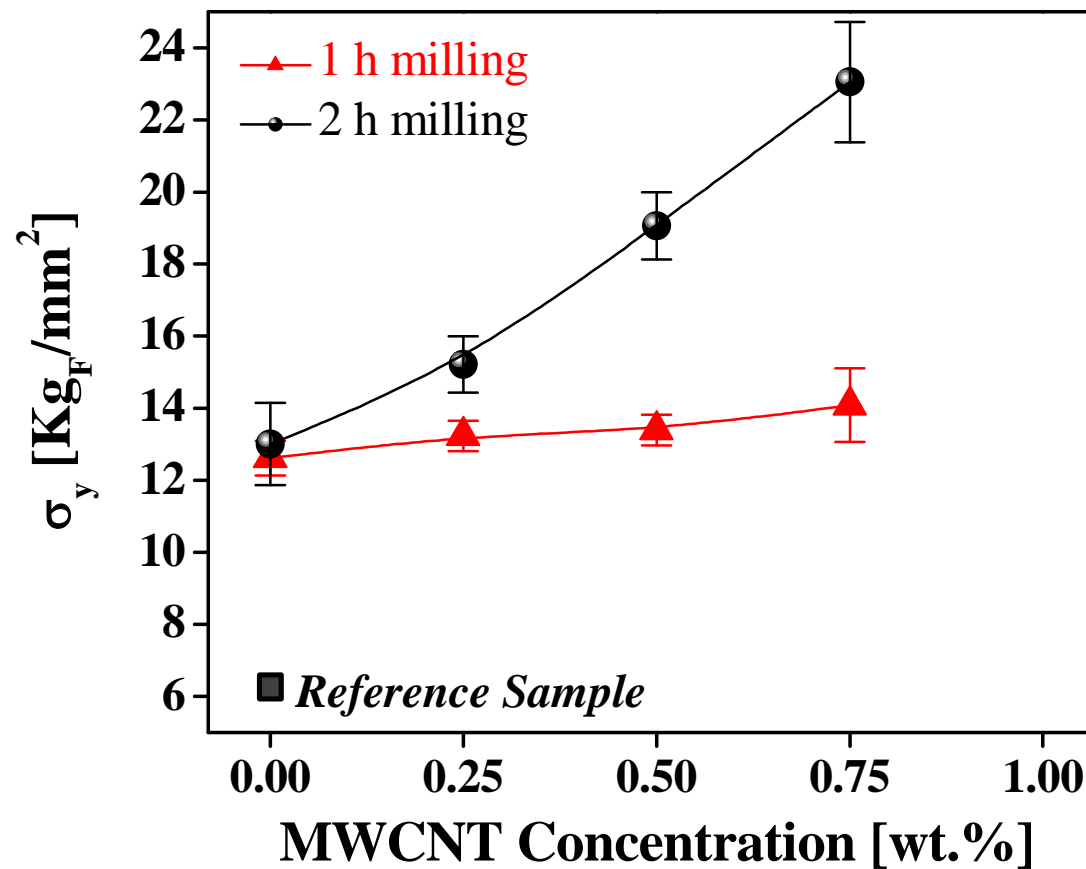
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**Materiales compuestos a base aluminio-nano tubos de carbono  
y su proceso de fabricación**

*Mexican Patent request NL/A/2004/000098*



## Aluminum-MWCNT Composites



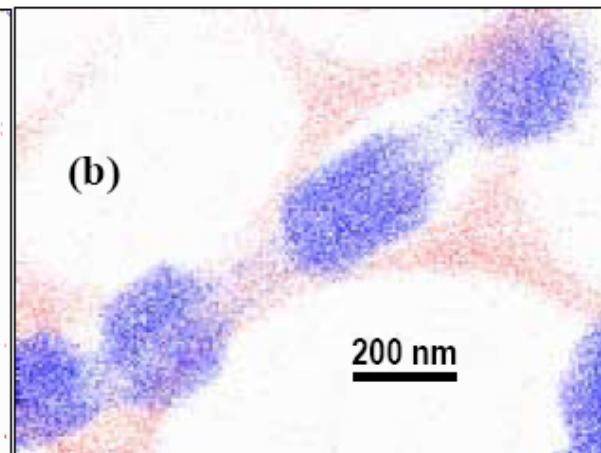
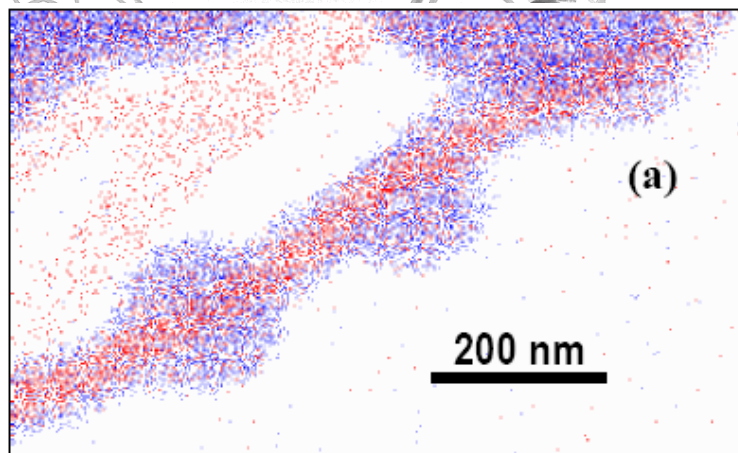
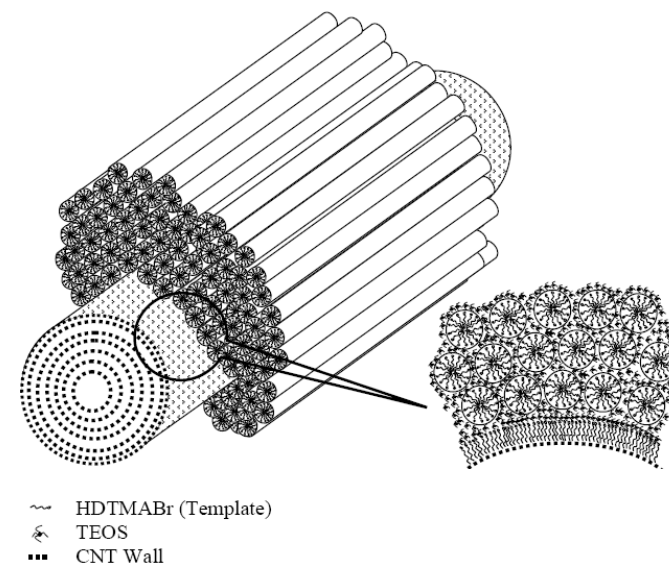
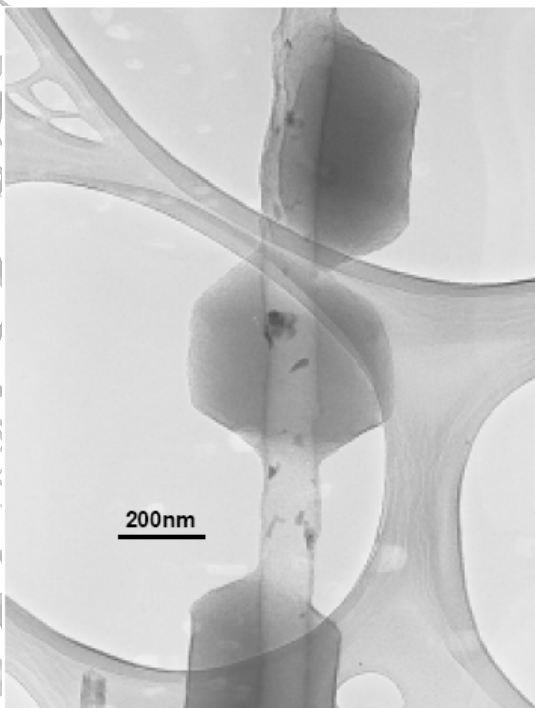
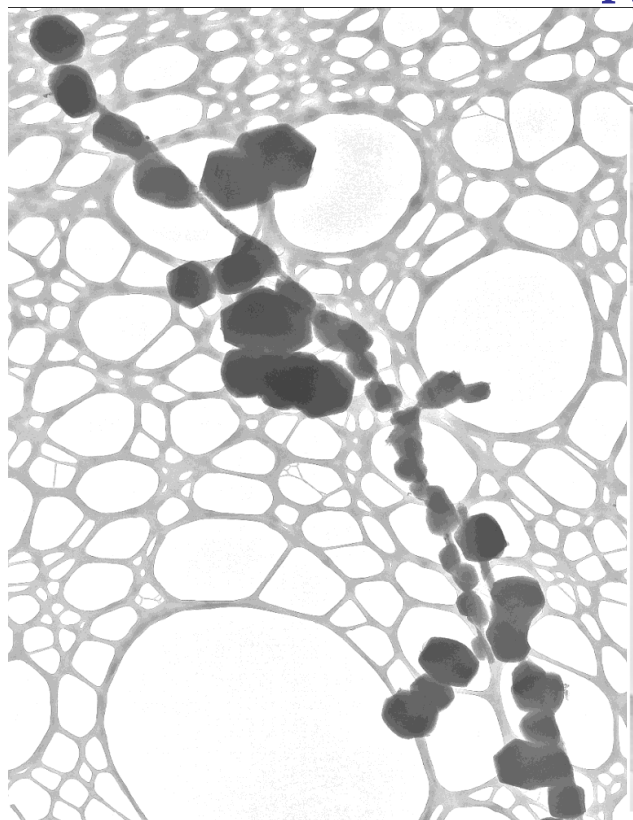
Yield strength on  
microcomposites  
as a function of  
MWCNT content

*Dr. Roberto Martínez Sánchez*



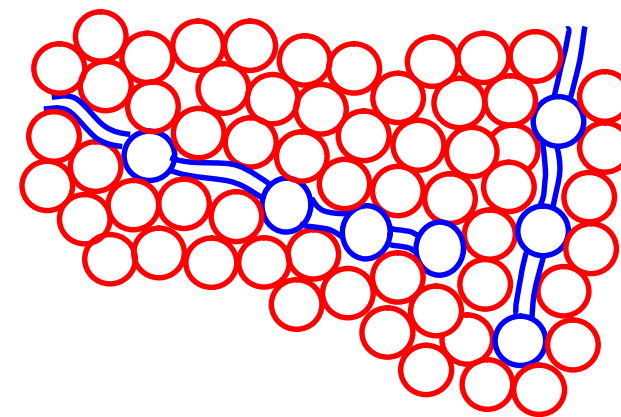
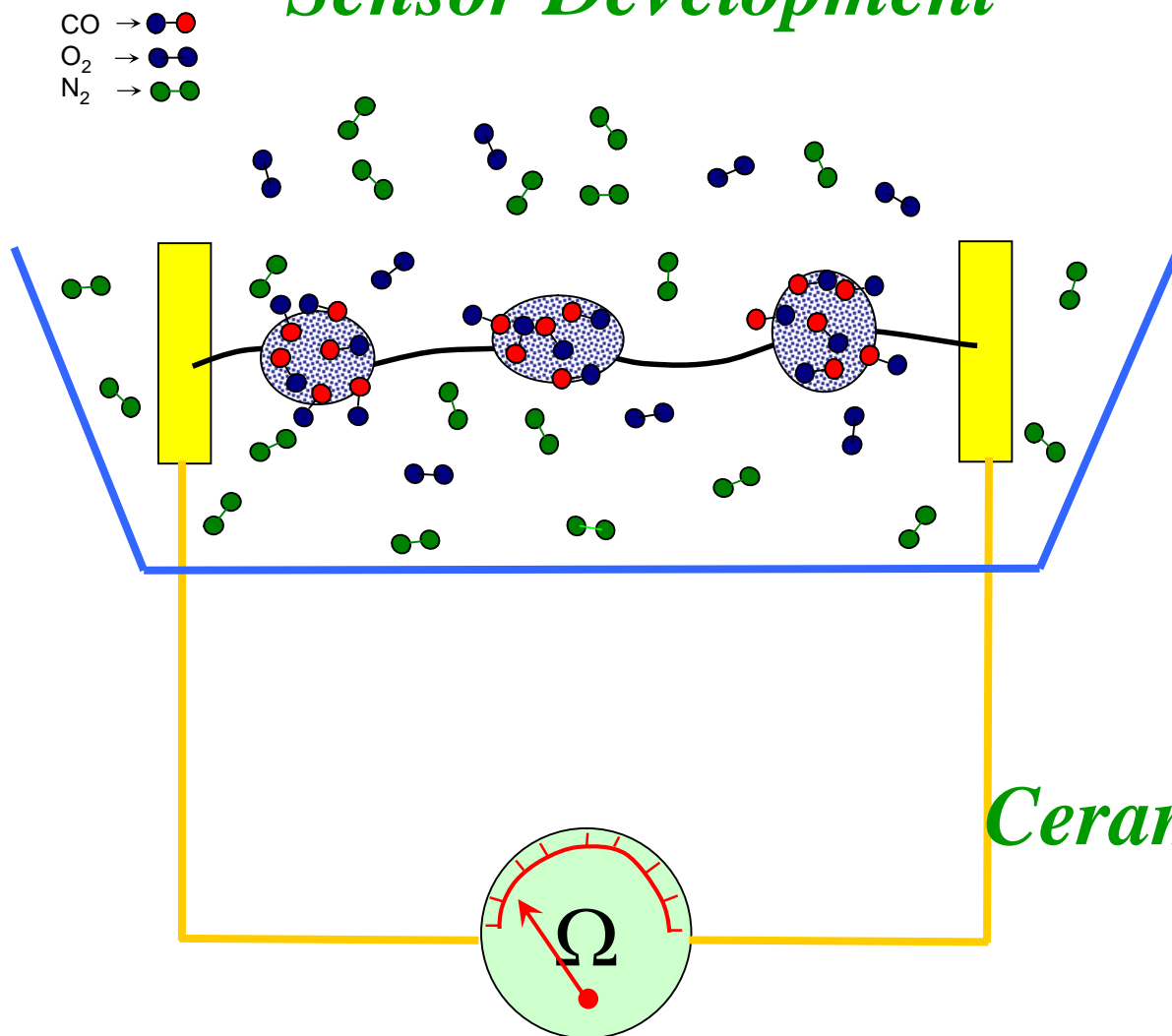


# *Novel Meso/Nanoporous Materials for Application on Catalysis Sensor, Gas Adsorption....*





## *Sensor Development*



## *Ceramics Reinforcement*





## Photocatalysis

Modification of  $\text{TiO}_2$  to improve applications and develop new ones

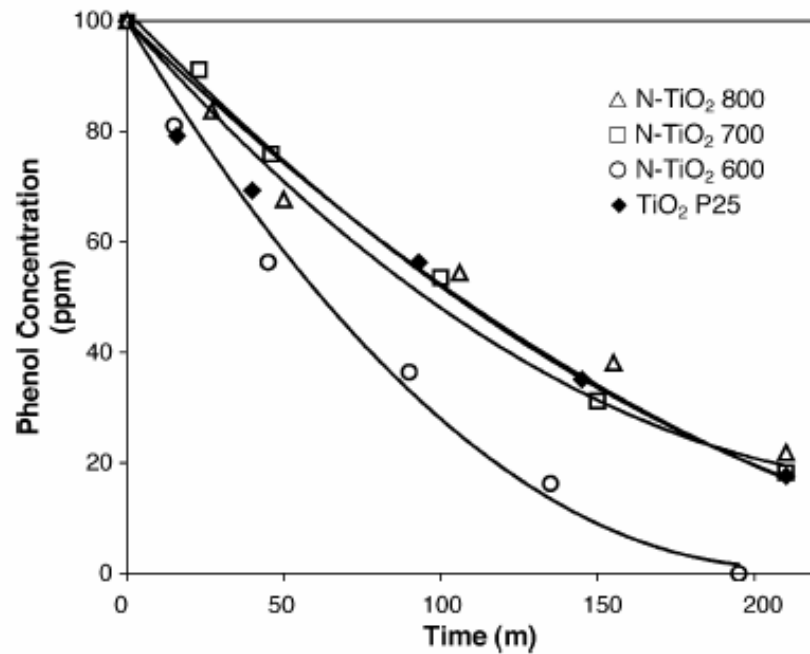


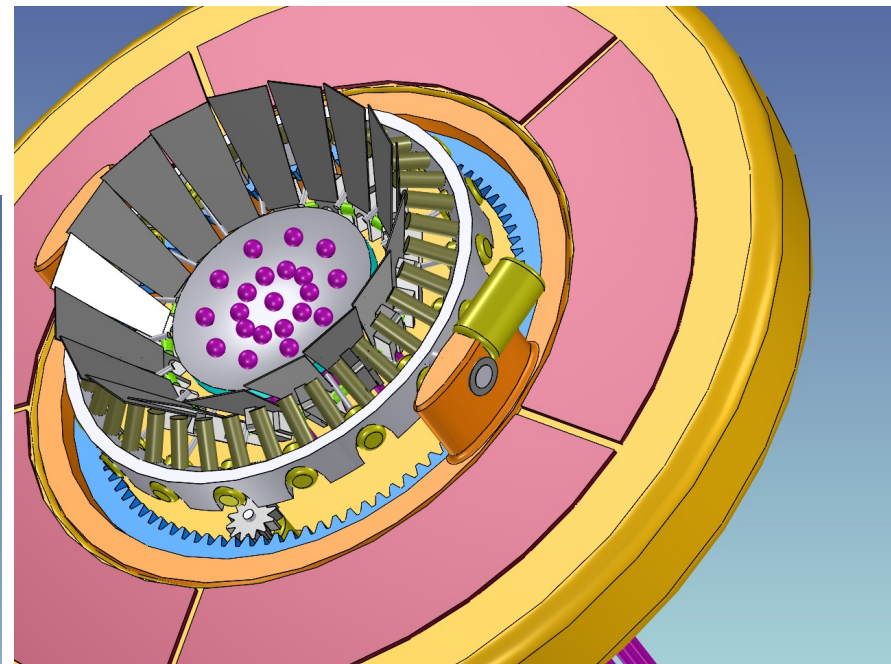
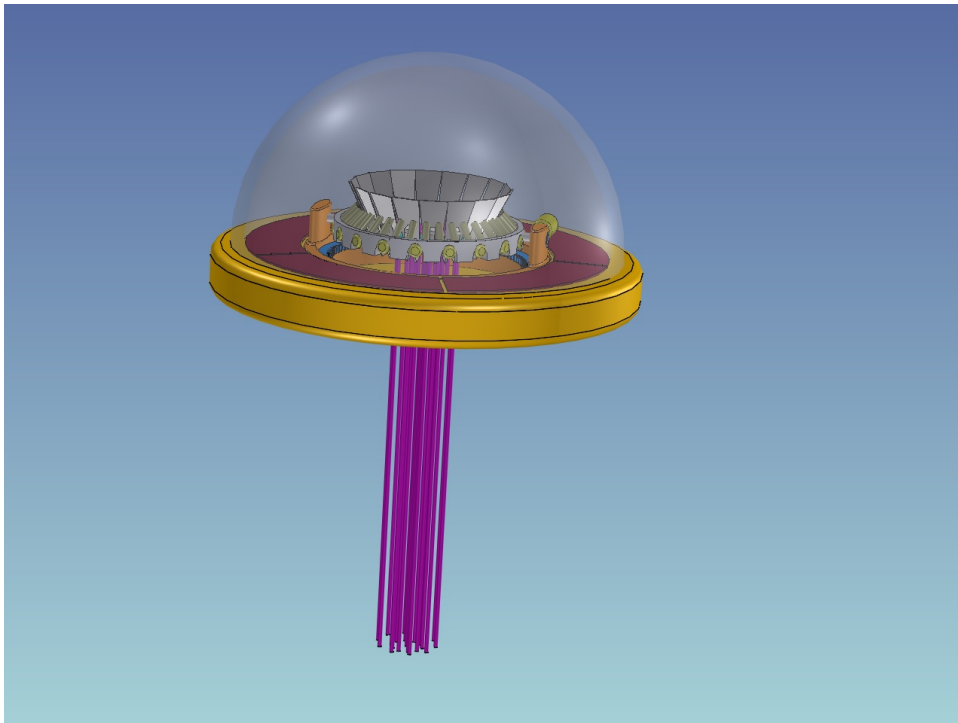
Fig. 4. Photocatalytic phenol degradation by the nitrogen doped  $\text{TiO}_2$  and unmodified  $\text{TiO}_2$  Degussa P25.





## *Photocatalytic Jellyfish like reactor*

- Design of long-life Nanostructured photocatalyst to work under visible light
- Design of low cost driver light into optical fibers

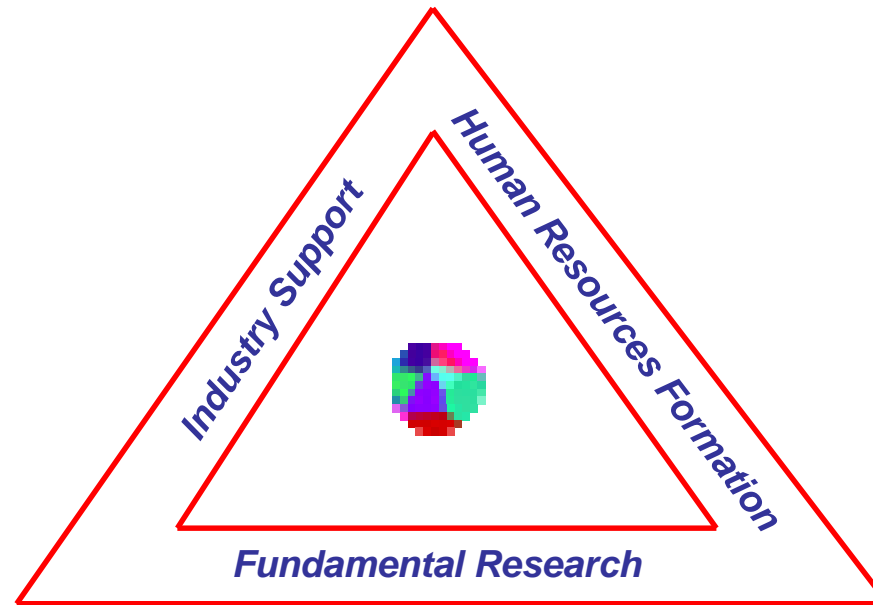


- Work during all sunlight hours
- Travel path can be programmed





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*Thanks for Your Attention!*

